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IN ORIGINAL APPLICATION**

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As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names; that

We verily believe that we are the original, first and sole inventors (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled **LOADING SYSTEM FOR SECURING CARGO IN THE BED OF A VEHICLE** described and claimed in the attached specification, that we understand the content of the attached specification, including the claims, that we do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is known to be material to patentability in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, and that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representatives or assigns, except as follows: **None.**

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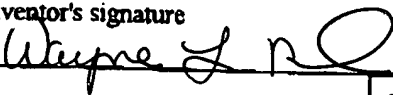


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